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SUBJECT: EAST TIMOR DEVELOPMENTS

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1. INTERIOR MINISTER AMIR MACHMUDX FORMALLY INSTALLED ARNALDO ARAUJO AS GOVERNOR AND FRANCISCO LOPEZ DA CRUZ AS VICE GOVERNOR OF NEWLY INTEGRATED PROVINCE OF EAST TIMOR AUGUST 3. ALSO INSTALLED AT CEREMONY IN DILI WERE CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN OF PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE. ARAUJO AND DA CRUZ WERE FORMER LEADERS OF PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF EAST TIMOR, WHICH HAS NOW OFFICIALLY CEASED TO EXIST.

2. DUTCH COLLEAGUE TOLD EMBOFF AUGUST 4 THAT DUTCH EMBASSY, WHICH REPRESENTS PORTUGUESE INTERESTS IN INDONESIA, HAD LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NO INFORMATION ON PROSPECTS FOR RESUMPTION OF DIPLOMATIC TIES

BETWEEN PORTUGAL AND INDONESIA. HIS EMBASSY HAD RECEIVED NO OFFICIAL REPORT FROM LISBON CONCERNING PORTUGUESE RECOGNITION OF INTEGRATION OF EAST TIMOR INTO INDONESIA, AND HE OBSERVED THAT THIS ISSUE SEEMS TO REST MORE WITH PORTUGUESE MILITARY THAN WITH FOREIGN OFFICE IN LISBON.

3. DUTCH EMBOFF STATED HIS EMBASSY HAS BEEN BUSY ISSUING PORTUGUESE PASSPORTS AND AIR TICKETS (PAID BY GOP) TO PORTUGUESE CITIZENS FROM TIMOR WHO WISH TO BE REPATRIATED. HE NOTED THERE ARE SEVERAL HUNDRED OF THESE, POSSIBLY EVEN THOUSANDS, STILL IN TIMOR. UP TO NOW DUTCH EMBASSY HAS ISSUED PASSPORTS AND TICKETS ONLY TO THOSE LISTED AS ELIGIBLE BY LISBON, HE SAID, BUT THEY HAVE REQUESTED THAT PORTUGUESE CONSULAR OFFICER BE SENT TO HELP PROCESS THE OTHERS.
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